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E.O. 11652: NA  
TAGS: EAIR, CZ  
SUBJECT: CIVAIR: RENEGOTIATION OF US-CZECHOSLOVAK BILATERAL

1. MFA OFFICIAL (RYCHLIK) RECENTLY MENTIONED TO EMBOFF GOC'S CONCERN THAT RENEGOTIATION OF AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT BEGIN WELL BEFORE CURRENT BILATERAL EXPIRES AT END OF 1978. HE OPINED THAT BOTH CZECHOSLOVAK AND U.S. SIDES WILL WANT TO WORK OUT NEW AGREEMENT RATHER THAN MERELY EXTEND AGAIN CURRENT ONE.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH RYCHLIK TACTFULLY DID NOT MENTION IT, HE UNDOUBTEDLY HAD IN MIND LONG DELAY EXPERIENCED IN EXTENDING ATA LAST TIME. GOC SUGGESTED TO US IN MAY, 1976 THAT TALKS BEGIN WELL IN ADVANCE OF DEC 31, 1976 EXPIRY, BUT U.S. SIDE DID NOT RESPOND UNTIL VERY LATE IN YEAR. FORMAL TWO-YEAR EXTENSION WAS NOT ACTUALLY SIGNED UNTIL AUGUST, 1977, OVER SEVEN MONTHS AFTER EXPIRATION DATE. EMBASSY BELIEVES EVERYONE WILL BENEFIT IF WE PREPARE NOW TO START NEGOTIATIONS RATHER THAN WAIT UNTIL LATER IN YEAR.  
DECONTROL 5/23/79.  
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